

CITY OF

FLORENCE
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2009 Activity Guide

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Once again it is my pleasure and honor to welcome you to my hometown as well as my favorite city, Florence, Kentucky! Thank you for the confidence you have placed in me and I would like to assure you of my continued commitment of keeping Florence a great place to live, work, play and raise a family. 2009 will be my 11th year as Mayor and will bring with it economic and financial challenges unlike any we have ever experienced. I am honored to be able to work side by side with your City Council members, Mike Apgar, Ted Bushelman, Mel Carroll, Kelly Huff, Julie Metzger-Aubuchon and David Osborne as we deal with the issues confronting our residents, our community and our businesses.

That being said, growth and economic development continued to be strong during 2008 in the City of Florence and helped to place us in an excellent position as we move into 2009. As the retail hub of Northern Kentucky we feel positive that the development community will bring projects to Florence in 2009 just as it did in 2008. Kentucky Governor Steve Beshear has made a commitment to Florence to work with us on funding the reconstruction of Mall Road. This project is recognized as a critical component to ensuring the continuing success of our retail community, the largest in the State of Kentucky.

National Amusement Cinema de Lux movie theater opened next to the Florence Mall in June to rave reviews and large crowds. The Mall continues to be strong and several new stores opened even as others consolidated or closed. We saw the rebuilding of the Olive Garden Restaurant, Izzy's opened a new restaurant in the Mall Road Shoppes and Harbor Freight Tools opened in the Florence Plaza.



Diane E. Whalen
Mayor of Florence

Springhill Suites Hotel by Marriott and the Northern Kentucky Association of Realtors office building, both located near Turfway Park, were completed in 2008. A new strip center which includes a "Pot Belly Sandwich Works" and "Noodles and Company" opened on Houston Road in front of Meijer. Urban Active opened on Meijer Drive and the construction of additional shops nearby is underway. Also under construction and scheduled to open in 2009 is the 100 room Homewood Suites Hotel by Hilton on Vandercar Way behind Wal-Mart.

Additions along the U. S. 42 corridor include the construction of a new Holiday Inn located on Freedom Way. Site work began on Pleasant Valley Commons located at the corner U.S. 42 and Pleasant Valley Road. A new Taco Bell was completed as well as a neighborhood commercial center on Haines Drive. Additionally, a Speedway gas station, Advanced Auto Parts store and a Sonic Restaurant opened.

The City of Florence and the City of Ft. Thomas co-sponsored a Community Development Block Grant application for the construction of the Children's Advocacy Center on the St. Luke campus. Receiving the \$1 million grant allowed the construction of the Center to begin in 2008. Projected to open in March 2009, the Children's Advocacy Center serves eight Northern Kentucky counties and provides a child-friendly environment for the prevention, evaluation and treatment of abused children.

Recreational opportunities and the commitment to community continue to be part of the vision for Florence's future. We have nearly completed the planning process for the city owned land on U.S. 42 at Niblack Drive where we plan to build a new Senior Citizens Center. The future planning for that area also includes a new park and amenities for the benefit of our residents. The City partnered with the Northern Kentucky University Center for Applied Ecology to use funding from the Environmental Protection Agency to return the lake at the World of Sports to a natural stream and we have been working on the redesign of the building and miniature golf course. The City

sponsors many family oriented activities and encourage you and your family to share in community activities such as our Easter Egg Hunt, 4th of July celebration, Pooch Fest, Labor Day, Veterans Day and Memorial Day events, Halloween Night Out, Christmas Tree Lighting, Community Chorus and Community Band performances and our parades. Please review the pages that follow for more information on City programs and parks and recreational opportunities. We hope you will take full advantage of all the city has to offer.

At the end of 2008 the country experienced a downturn in the economy that has created an environment of uncertainty for us all. We will look to Washington to implement programs that will stimulate the economy and aid in the recovery so critical for us all. Please be assured that City operations will continue to be approached conservatively in 2009. Projects to repair and maintain our infrastructure should move forward as planned and we will continue our commitment to our residents to ensure the finest Police and Fire/EMS services available.

Your elected officials and city staff are committed to providing our residents with the first class and professional services you have come to expect. When you call on us, please know professionals will answer your call for service. Whether you are looking for help with a street problem, snow removal, or leaf pickup, need the police, fire or paramedics, help with licensing or taxes, or simply have a question that needs answering; we are here, at your service.

Let us know what we're doing right – or when we don't meet your expectations. Visit with us this summer at one of our four scheduled "City Night Out" events that are planned in different neighborhoods around the city. The locations are listed in this book. If you are a new resident, or someone just looking for information about the City, information packets are available at the City Building. You can stop by or contact us by phone at 859-647-8177 or check for information or updates our web site at www.florence-ky.gov.

CITY OF FLORENCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Florence has a Mayor-Council form of government with non-partisan, at-large elections. The Mayor is elected for a four-year term; the six-member Council is elected every two years. The City is in the 66th Legislative District, 11th Senatorial District and the 144th U.S. Congressional District.

City Council Monthly Meeting Schedule:

Meetings start at 7:00 pm at the Florence Government Center

1st Tuesday	Council Caucus
2nd Tuesday	Regular Business Meeting
3rd Tuesday	Council Caucus
3rd Wednesday	Florence Planning & Zoning Committee at 9:00am
4th Tuesday	Regular Business Meeting



Mr. Mike Apgar



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Vice Mayor



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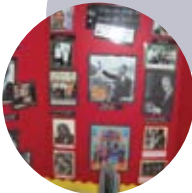


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JANUARY

- 1 Government Center Closed in Observance of New Year's Day
- 7 Christmas Tree Curbside Pick Up
- 10 Christmas Tree Recycling
- 19 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Program



FEBRUARY

- 16 President's Day Display



MARCH

- 4 Citizen's Police Academy
- 8 Daylight Savings Time
- 14 Safe Sitter Class
- 17 Youth in Government Program



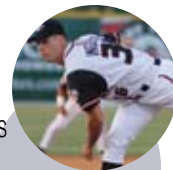
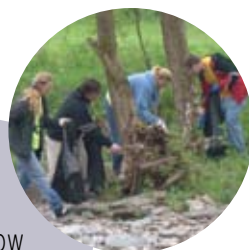
APRIL

- 7 Safe Sitter Class
- 11 Easter Egg Hunt
- 13 Spring Tennis Clinics
- 25 Great American Clean Up
- 27 Spring Clean Up week



MAY

- 2 Arbor Day Celebration
Police Memorabilia/Trading Show
- 6 Florence Student Ambassadors Begin
- 20 Florence Freedom Season Begins
- 23 Florence Family Aquatic Center Opens
- 25 Memorial Day Parade & Program
Government Closed in Observance of Memorial Day



JUNE

- 1 Summer Tennis Clinics #1
Swim Lessons Session #1
- 8 Police CSI Camp
- 15 Swim Lessons Session #2
- 16 Neighborhood Night Out @ Stringtown Park
Florence Hammerheads Dive Meet
- 25 Florence Hammerheads Swim Meet
Safe Sitter Class



JULY

- 2 Florence Hammerheads Swim Meet
- 3 Government Center Closed in Observance of July 4th
- 4 Independence Day Celebration
- 6 Swim Lessons Session #3

OCTOBER

19 Fall Clean Up Week

27 Halloween Night Out



NOVEMBER

1 Daylight Savings Time

7 Safe Sitter Class

11 Veterans Day Program

26 Government Center Closed in
Observance of Thanksgiving



DECEMBER

1 Tree Lighting Program

24 Government Center Closed in Observance
of Christmas Eve

25 Government Center Closed in Observance of Christmas



7 Florence Hammerheads Dive Meet

13 Summer Tennis Clinics #2

14 Florence Hammerheads Dive Meet

20 Swim Lessons Session #4

21 Neighborhood Night Out @Erpenbeck Elementary School

23 Florence Hammerheads Swim Meet



AUGUST

4 Target National Night Out

7 Safe Sitter Class

18 Neighborhood Night Out @ Florence Nature Park

23 Florence Family Aquatic Center Closes

31 Fall Tennis Clinics



SEPTEMBER

5 Police Memorabilia Trading Show

6 Labor Day Weekend Parade

7 Gov. Center Closed in Observance of Labor Day

12 Wal-Mart Safety Day

15 Neighborhood Night Out @ Lincoln Woods Park

19 Florence Pooch Festival & Safe Sitter Class

FLORENCE GOVERNMENT CENTER COMPLEX



- A - Florence/Boone County Skate Park**
- B - Walking Loop - Trail .93 Mile**
- C - Veteran's Memorial Plaza and Fountain**
- D - Entrance Gateway Plaza**

Florence Family Aquatic Center

- E - Bathhouse/Concessions Building**
- F - Shallow Water Pool with Zero-Depth Entry, Steps and Water Play Features**
- G - Competition/Lap Pool with Diving Area**
- H - Lazy River**
- I - Waterslides**
- J - Sprayground**

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE CITY OF FLORENCE,
VISIT www.florence-ky.gov





FLORENCE GOVERNMENT CENTER

Located at 8100 Ewing Boulevard, the building is home to the following City offices: Mayor, City Administration, City Clerk, Finance, Human Resources, Parks & Recreation, Police and Public Services. Weekly City Council meetings are held in the Council Chambers located on the ground floor of the facility. General office hours are 8:30 am – 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The building is closed on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve and Christmas.

Owen Electric and One Stop Annex offices are located on the ground level. Located on the lower level of the Government Center are satellite offices of the Boone County Circuit Clerk (drivers licensing), and the Boone County Clerk (vehicle registration), as well as the Boone County Public Safety Communications Center (911 dispatch operations and incident records).

Three community meeting rooms are located on the lower level and are available for public use, Monday through Friday. The rooms are intended for City-related functions, but Florence affiliated groups and non-profits may use them free of charge. For additional information, reservations and rules of use, please call (859) 647-8177.

The campus area of the Government Center contains the State Office Building, the Florence Family Aquatic Center and the Florence/Boone County Skate Park. A .93 mile-long walking/ bike trail path surrounds the entire complex and is marked with red pavers every tenth of a mile.

BOONE COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL

This Memorial was built on the campus of the Florence Government Center in 1998 through community donations. Its purpose is to honor all veterans of Boone County who gave the ultimate sacrifice so that everyone else may enjoy freedom. The City conducts its annual Memorial Day program at the Memorial.



MAINTENANCE FACILITIES

The Public Services Department is located at 7850 Tanners Lane, housing the mechanics, street, water, sewer and ground maintenance crews. This is also the location residents may drop off items for recycling and the City's annual Fall and Spring Clean Up programs.

FIRE STATIONS

The Florence Fire/EMS Department provides full service Fire and EMS services. The City has three fire stations. Station 1 is located at 269 Main Street and is staffed by our Volunteer Fire/EMS division. Station 2 is located at 7201 Industrial Road and the Fire/EMS headquarters is located at 1152 Weaver Road.

FLORENCE FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER

Need a place to cool off during the hot summer months? Then join us at the Florence Family Aquatic Center. This 4-acre facility opened on June 21, 2003 and is located at 8200 Ewing Boulevard on the campus of the Florence Government Center. More than just an average swimming pool, the Aquatic Center features a lazy river, 25-meter competition pool, two sprayground areas, spiral and speed slides and zero-depth pool. The facility houses two shade shelters available to rent, sunbathing deck, giant funbrellas, full service concession, family restrooms and lockers to rent. Admission is available through the purchase of a season membership or by paying a daily rate.

The facility opens on Saturday, May 23 and closes on Sunday, August 23.

Hours of Operation:

May 23-August 23

Sunday - Thursdays: 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

Fridays – Saturdays: 11 am – 8:00 pm



MEMBERSHIP RATES

Sold until Friday, July 31st

City of Florence Residents

Family \$225

Single \$125

Junior (ages 13-18) \$100

Senior Citizen \$75

Non-Residents

Family \$375

Single \$200

Junior \$175

Senior Citizen \$110

City of Florence Business

Family \$300

Single \$165

NA

NA

DAILY ADMISSIONS:

Adult

\$9

\$6

Senior Citizens

\$6

\$4

Military

\$5

\$5

Child (3-12 years)

\$6

\$4

Children 2 and under

FREE

FREE



Additional Rates:

- City of Florence Business Group, \$7 per person, Minimum of 25 per group. Must be purchased in advance. **No credits or refunds.**
- Summer Youth Programs, Child \$5 – Adult \$7, No Minimum required. Applies to organized day camps, church camps or athletic camps. Must request rate on camp letterhead and purchase in advance of scheduled outing. **No credits or refunds.**
- Concessions sold during pool hours. Party packages are available. Call (859) 647-4620 for menu items and prices.



SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Join us as we celebrate the holidays at the aquatic center with music, games and entertainment.

- Opening Day, Saturday, May 23
- Memorial Day, Monday, May 25
- Independence Day, Saturday, July 4
- End of Season Splash, Sunday, August 23

SHELTER RESERVATIONS

Two shelters may be reserved for a 2-hour limit for \$15 or 4 hours for \$25. Call (859) 647-4619. All food and drinks must be purchased at the concessions stand but may be eaten in the shelter area. Party package menus are available. Call (859) 647-4620 to order. Birthday cakes are permitted.

NO COOLERS ALLOWED.

THERE ARE NO REFUNDS OF ANY TYPE PROVIDED!

AQUATIC PROGRAMS

SWIM LESSONS

2-week sessions for ½ hour Mondays-Thursdays, Fridays are scheduled make-up classes.

Fee: \$40 Aquatic Center Members \$60 Non-Members

Session 1	June 1 - June 11
Session 2	June 15 - July 25
Session 3	July 6 - July 16
Session 4	July 20 - July 30

Day Classes: 9:00 am, 9:35 am & 10:10 am

Evening Classes: 7:10 pm & 7:45 pm

SWIM TEAM

The Florence Hammerheads (ages 6-18) experienced its fifth year as an organized swim team in the Northern Kentucky Swim League (NKSL) with a swim and dive team. Requirements to participate are: Must be a member of the Florence Family Aquatic Center, a Kentucky resident and able to swim the length of the pool. Daily practices for swimmers are from 7:30-9:30am, Mondays- Thursdays and for divers from 9:30-10:50 am., Monday-Thursdays. Swim meets are held on Thursdays and dive meets are on Tuesdays with a total of six meets during the season culminating in a Championship and All-Star Meets. The Parent Board is in need of volunteers to work the meets and support the program. Call (859) 647-4619 for more information.

The Competition/lap pool will be closed to the public at 4:30 pm for all home dive and swim meets. June 16 & 25, July 1,2,7,14 & 23.



2009 Florence Hammerhead Schedule

Date	Club	Dive	Swim
6/16	Five Seasons	Home	
6/25	Bluegrass		Home
7/2	Ft. Thomas		Home
7/7	Beechwood	Home	
7/14	Brookwood	Home	
7/23	Taylor Mill		Home

FLORENCE/BOONE COUNTY SKATE PARK

What do you do with 22,000 square-feet of concrete? You design a park for skateboarders, bikers, rollerblades and in-line skaters of course! Opened May 31, 2003, this facility, located at 8000 Ewing Boulevard, is designed for the novice as well as the experts. The park contains sections for the beginner, intermediate and advanced patron and offers numerous challenging elements. Two shelters, spectator seating, vending machines, restrooms, drinking fountains and parking are available. The park is open from dawn to dusk and is free to the public. Safety equipment is recommended and signs remind you that the Skate Park is a skate-at-your-own-risk facility. An emergency telephone that directly connects to 911 is located within the park. For more information call (859) 647-5439.

FLORENCE NATURE PARK

This beautiful, quiet park can be found off of U.S. Highway 25 (Dixie Highway) on Banklick Street in a serene setting of woods and meadows. The City's former Mayor, Evelyn M. Kalb, had a vision to turn this tract of land into a Nature Park as well as converting the nearby home into a Gathering House. The City purchased the 15.64-acre tract of land in 1986 from William and Miriam Foote. It features the Evelyn Kalb Gathering House, a 24' x 24' gazebo, restrooms, 80 parking spaces and 2,800 linear feet of walking trails. The gazebo may be rented at no charge and features an open-air design, concrete floor, stone columns, and cedar shake roof. It is ideal for weddings, graduations or other photographic opportunities requiring a scenic background. The Florence Mall donated the granite animals that are enjoyed by children who visit the park. Recreational programs are also scheduled at this facility.

EVELYN KALB GATHERING HOUSE AT FLORENCE NATURE PARK

Nestled in the middle of the Florence Nature Park, the Evelyn Kalb Gathering House is the perfect facility for parties, retreats and meetings. The house has a capacity of 67 people, with seating for 28. The facility includes accessible restrooms and a kitchen for warming and serving. Call (859) 647-5416 for rental information and reservations.



KY 18 TENNIS COURTS

Located next to Boone County High School on KY. 18 (Burlington Pike) are two city tennis courts with ample parking. Courts are available for one hour for singles and two hours for doubles by calling (859) 647-5439 for reservations.



Lincoln Woods Park

LINCOLN WOODS PARK

Located on City Park Drive, which can be accessed off of Surfwood Drive or Rosetta Drive, the 15 acre park was developed in 1985. Features include a color coated basketball court, two enclosed tennis courts, two clay infield baseball diamonds with dugouts and backstops, a playground area complete with three structures, swing sets and a crumb rubber surface, a natural wooded area with trails, a picnic shelter, grills, restroom facilities and ample parking. For shelter and ball field reservations and more information, call Boone County Parks Department (859) 334-2117. To schedule tennis courts call Florence Parks and Recreation at (859) 647-5439. City tennis clinics have priority in their use.



Orleans Park

ORLEANS PARK

Donated to the City in 2002 by Fischer Development, the 11 acre park located in Orleans North subdivision features a playground, bridge, shelter, basketball court, paved walking trail, open play area, restroom, drinking fountain, grill and parking lot. For shelter reservations and information call (859) 647-5439.

SOUTH FORK PARK

The Farmview Subdivision developer donated 5 acres to the City in 1997 and 37 acres in 2000 to develop this park. This 42-acre park features 2,720 linear feet of walking/bike paths, a 210' x 8' pedestrian bridge, natural wooded and meadow areas, open play area, basketball court, sand volleyball court, picnic shelter, restroom, playgrounds, drinking fountain, grill, and a parking lot. To reserve the shelter call (859) 647-5439.

STRINGTOWN PARK

This 8-acre park was purchased by the city in 2001. The park is located on Kentucky Route 18 (Burlington Pike) between Kathryn and Wallace Avenues in the eastern section of the city. The neighborhood park contains a playground, basketball court, picnic shelter, benches, restroom, drinking fountain, parking lot, walking/bike path, sand volleyball court, cornhole sets and open green space. To reserve the shelter call (859) 647-5439.

WALNUT CREEK PARK

This 2.5 acre neighborhood park features a ball field and open play area. Access to the park is from Cedar Wood Circle via a concrete walking path and parking is on the street. For ball field reservations, call Boone County Parks (859) 334-2117.

NIBLACK MEMORIAL PARK

Still in the planning stages, this 4.5-acre neighborhood park will be located on the former site of the old city building located on US 42 next to Boone County Public Library. It will feature the Florence Senior Center in a park setting.



South Fork Park



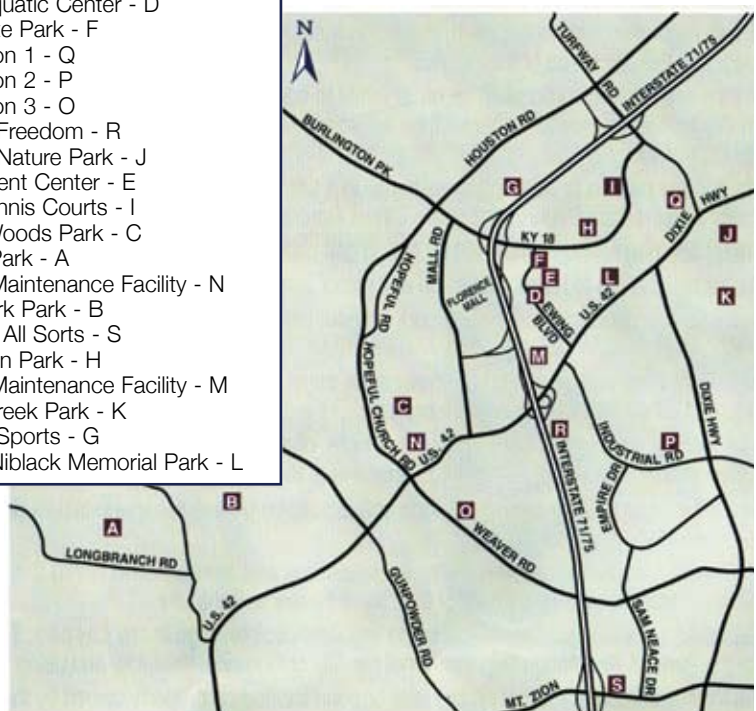
Stringtown Park

FLORENCE PARKS & FACILITIES

	Acres	Baseball Fields	Basketball Courts	Bike Path	Billiards	Comhole	Drinking Fountain	Driving Range	Fishing Lake	Fitness Center	Gazebo	Golf Course	Green Space	Grills	Miniature Golf	Picnic Tables	Playground	Racquetball Courts	Restrooms	Shelter	Sledding Hill	Softball Fields	Swimming Pool	Tennis Courts	Volleyball	Walking Path			
Family Aquatic Center 8200 Ewing Blvd.	4			●			●									●			●	●			●			●			
FBC Skate Park 8000 Ewing Blvd.	.5			●			●									●			●	●						●			
Florence Freedom 7950 Freedom Way	35	●					●												●										
Florence Nature Park Banklick Street	16						●				●		●	●		●			●							●			
KY 18 Tennis Courts (next to Boon Co. High School)	.76																							●					
Lincoln Woods Park City Park Drive	15	●	●				●						●	●		●	●		●	●		●		●		●			
Niblack Memorial Park US 42	4.5					UNDER CONSTRUCTION																							
Orleans Park St. Louis Blvd.	11		●	●			●		●				●	●		●	●		●	●	●					●			
South Fork Park Farmview Drive	42		●	●			●						●	●		●	●		●	●					●	●			
Sports of All Sorts 10094 Investment Way	3.98		●				●			●								●	●						●				
Stringtown Park 7340 Burlington Pke	8		●	●		●	●						●	●		●	●		●	●					●	●			
Walnut Creek Park Walnut Creek Drive	2.5	●											●													●			
World of Sports 7400 Woodspoint Drive	65			●	●			●				●			●	●			●							●			



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- FBC Skate Park - F
- Fire Station 1 - Q
- Fire Station 2 - P
- Fire Station 3 - O
- Florence Freedom - R
- Florence Nature Park - J
- Government Center - E
- KY 18 Tennis Courts - I
- Lincoln Woods Park - C
- Orleans Park - A
- Rosetta Maintenance Facility - N
- South Fork Park - B
- Sports of All Sorts - S
- Stringtown Park - H
- Tanners Maintenance Facility - M
- Walnut Creek Park - K
- World of Sports - G
- U.S. 42/Niblack Memorial Park - L



CITY OF FLORENCE PARK RULES & REGULATIONS

THE CITY OF FLORENCE PARKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC USE FROM DAYLIGHT UNTIL DUSK.

- To reserve a picnic shelter at any of the City of Florence Parks, call (859) 647-5439 (except Lincoln Woods call Boone County Parks at 859-334-2117). There is a \$25.00 non-refundable fee to rent any City park shelter. No charge for City of Florence offices, schools or scout groups.
- To reserve a tennis court at any of the City of Florence Parks, call (859) 647-5439 - 24 hours or more prior to the time of play. Time limit for singles is one (1) hour and doubles is two (2) hours. There is no fee to reserve a tennis court.

Remember the parks belong to the residents so please be courteous and observe park rules:

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to be on the City park property without permission after the park has closed. City parks will be considered open between the hours of dawn to dusk. Permission for use of the parks or any section thereof may be granted by the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky.
2. It shall be unlawful to have an open fire in any part of the park except in the areas designated as proper and safe for open fires.
3. Reservations must be made with the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky for the use of the building facilities or gazebo at Florence Nature Park.
4. Persons wishing to use ball fields at a City park must reserve a date and time for such use with the Boone County Parks Department. Persons wishing to use tennis facilities or shelters at a City park must reserve a date and time with the City of Florence Parks & Recreation Department. A fee may be assessed to offset any costs that might be incurred at the discretion Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky.
5. It shall be unlawful for anyone to have a pet in a City park unless the pet is on a leash at all times. No owner or custodian of any pet shall cause or allow such animal to soil, defile or defecate on any property within a public park of the City, unless such owner or custodian immediately removes and disposes of all feces deposited by such animal by the following methods:
 - (1) Collection of the feces by appropriate implement and placement in a paper or plastic bag or other container; and



- (2) Removal of such bag or container and disposition thereafter in a manner as otherwise may be permitted by law.
6. It shall be unlawful for anyone to dispose of litter in the park except in trash containers provided for that purpose.
7. It shall be unlawful to operate or ride in or on any motorized vehicles of any type, including but not limited to automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, ATVs, mini bikes or mopeds, in any City park except on park roads and in designated parking areas. When necessary the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky may authorize parking outside of designated parking areas to meet the needs of special events. This regulation shall not apply to law enforcement officers, maintenance employees of the City or County, or any other public official engaged in the discharge of their duties.

8. It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation, or other entity to conduct or engage in any form of trade, business or other commercial activity or perform any type of service for consideration within a City park without the permission of the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky.
9. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride or drive a horse in a City park except in those areas designated as bridle paths without the approval of the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky.
10. It shall be unlawful for any person to practice golf by hitting golf balls within a City park.
11. It shall be unlawful for any person to repair or service any motor vehicle within a City park.
12. It shall be unlawful to camp overnight in any City park without written approval of the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky.
13. It shall be unlawful to cut or remove any trees, flowers or vegetation from within City parks without the approval of the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky.
14. It shall be unlawful for any person to display, post, distribute, or place any sign, advertisement, circular notice, statement, banner, emblem or design within any park without the written approval of the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky.
15. Surfaced courts are to be used for their intended sports only. It shall be unlawful to use bicycles, skateboards, roller blades, roller skates, scooters, motorized vehicles, etc. on surfaced courts.
16. It shall be unlawful to hunt, trap or in any way injure or molest any wild animal found within the boundaries of the parks except when approved by the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky.
17. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess or consume any alcoholic beverage in any City park. This regulation shall not apply to groups with approval from the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Florence, Kentucky and using the Florence Nature Park House.
18. It shall be unlawful for any person to ice fish on any lake or pond located on property owned by the City of Florence, Kentucky.



FLORENCE COMMUNITY BAND

The Florence Community Band is a traditional band composed of amateur musicians of all ages who perform at numerous community programs throughout Northern Kentucky. There are brass; woodwind and percussion instruments and they play a range of music from patriotic tunes to big band and jazz. The band is sponsored by the City of Florence and rehearses on Mondays at the Florence Government Center at 7:30 pm. For more information, call Terri Hartley, Band Secretary at (859) 356-3925 or email at president@florencecommunityband.org.

FLORENCE COMMUNITY CHORUS

Florence Community Chorus is sponsored by the City of Florence and is a four-part men and women's choral group. Rehearsals are held on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at the Florence Government Center. New members are welcome. They sing a variety of music and perform throughout the community. For more information contact President Joan Noll at (859) 341-9063 or email Jjnoll02@fuse.net.

NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHT OUTS

This program provides our neighbors an opportunity to meet City officials during the summer months prior to the third Tuesday's Council meeting. From 5:00 – 7:00 pm, City officials will provide refreshments, displays and information on current projects occurring in the city.

Dates for 2009 will be:

- June 16 at Stringtown Park
- July 21 at Erpenbeck Elementary School
- August 18 at Florence Nature Park
- September 15 at Lincoln Woods Park

FOR DETAILS CALL (859) 647-5420.





SAFE SITTER (BABYSITTING) CLASS

Here's an opportunity for teens ages 11 to 15 to develop leadership skills, work with younger children and care for infants as well as earn spending money. The Safe Sitter curriculum, a 6-hour class, is used and teaches infant rescue breathing and choking, child care essentials, behavior management and babysitting as a business. *Students will not become certified in first aid or CPR after completing this course but will be better prepared as a Safe Sitter.* Fee is \$40 per student and students receive a course completion card, Safe Sitter bag, flashlight, note pad and band-aid dispenser and snacks. Students must bring a sack lunch and drink. Classes are limited to 14 teens and are held at the Evelyn Kalb Gathering House at the Florence Nature Park from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm on the following dates: Saturday, March 14; Tuesday, April 7; Thursday, June 25; Friday, August 7; Saturday, September 19; and Saturday, November 7. Call (859) 647-5439 for details. Download the registration form from the City's web page at www.florence-ky.gov.

ON OUR OWN – RED CROSS CLASS

The Florence Fire/EMS Department will conduct the class at Fire Base 3 located at 1152 Weaver Road. The class is a latch key safety program designed to teach children in grades 3-6 simple rules and procedures to be followed when they are home alone. The class is limited to 10 students. Call the Fire/EMS Department for the date and additional information at (859) 647-5660.

FIRST AID TRAINING FOR LITTLE PEOPLE – RED CROSS CLASS

The Florence Fire/EMS Department will conduct the class at Fire Base 3 located at 1152 Weaver Road. The class is designed for youth grades 4-6. Students learn rescue breathing, the Heimlich maneuver, water safety and how to cope with many emergency situations. The class meets requirements for several scouting badges. The class is limited to 10 students. Call the Fire/EMS Department for the date and additional information at (859) 647-5660.

BASIC FIRST AID TRAINING FOR LITTLE PEOPLE

The Florence Fire/EMS Department will conduct the class at Fire Base 3 located at 1152 Weaver Road. The class is designed for youth in grade 4-6. Students learn rescue breathing, the Heimlich maneuver, water safety and how to cope with emergency situations. The class meets requirements for several scouting badges. The class is limited to 10 students. Call Fire/EMS Department for the date and additional information at (859) 647-5660.

FIRST AID CLASSES

The Florence Fire/EMS Department will conduct first aid classes to groups for a fee. Learn the basics of first aid to become certified. Call (859) 647-5660 to schedule an appointment.



CHILD CAR SEAT SAFETY CHECK

The Child Car Seat Safety Check program is FREE and conducted by the Florence Fire/EMS Department. It offers City of Florence and Florence Fire/EMS District residents an inspection of child seat installations, at Fire Base 3, 1152 Weaver Road. Call (859) 647-5660 for questions or an appointment.

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

March 4 – May 6

The Florence Police Department will hold its annual Citizens Police Academy for participants to learn first hand from police officers and guest speakers about traffic violations, building searches, interviewing suspects and many other topics. The eight-week course meets each Wednesday from 6:30-9:00 pm at the Florence Government Center. Graduation will take place on May 6. For additional information call (859) 647-5420.



YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT PROGRAM

March 17-19

The City of Florence, in cooperation with Boone County Public Schools, will host their annual Youth in Government Program on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 17, 18 and 19 at the Florence Government Center. This program provides an opportunity for selected elementary and middle school students to learn about the role local government plays in their community. City departments will provide presentations of their role in the local government process and students learn the legislative duties of the Mayor and City Council. Tuesday evening is Youth in Government Night from 6-7 pm in the Community Rooms at the Florence Government Center and is open to all ages to learn the role of local government. The event continues at the Florence City Council meeting at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers. The business meeting is televised and Mayor Diane E. Whalen recognizes those in attendance. Call (859) 647-8177 for more information.



CSI CAMP

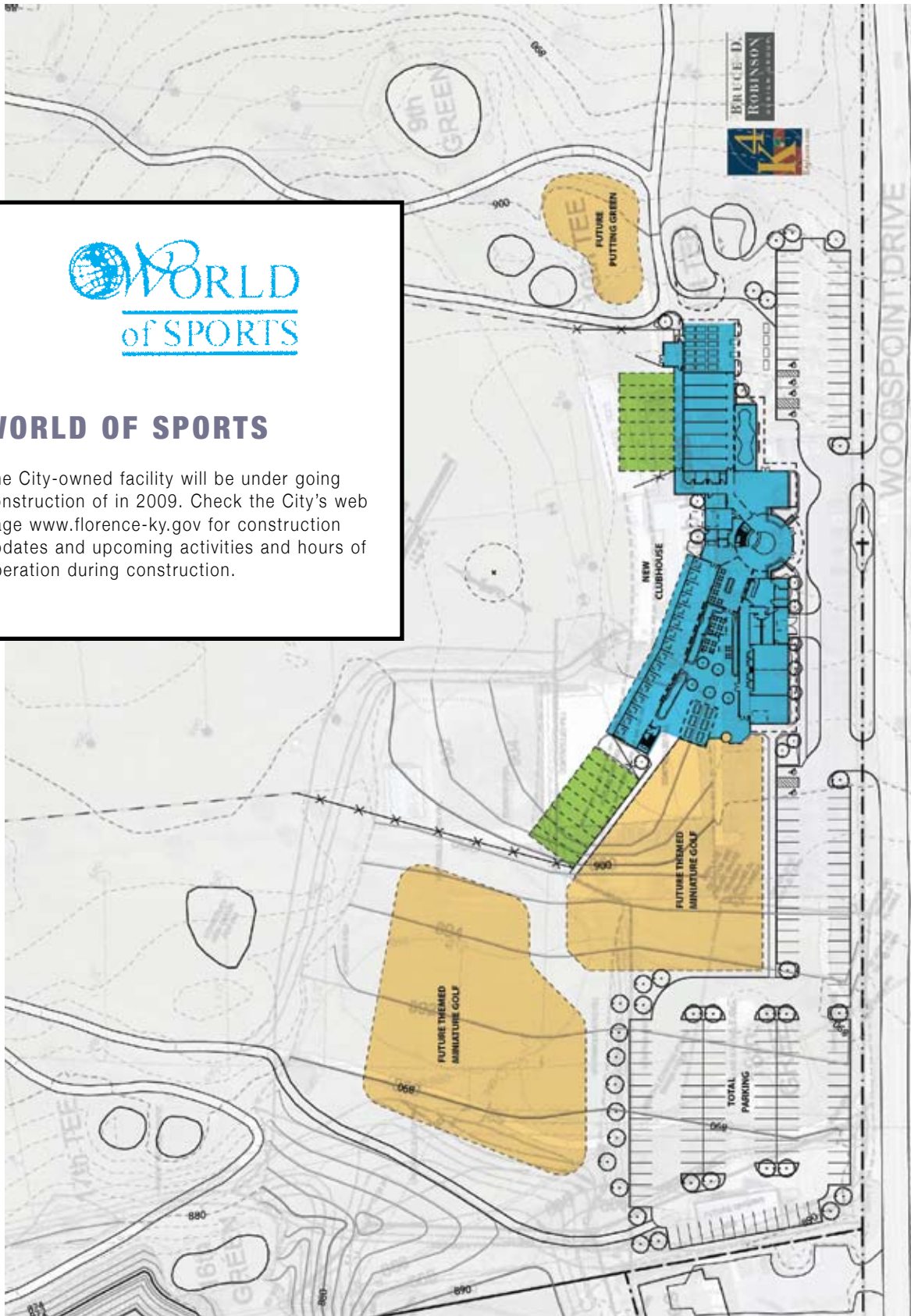
June 8-12

Calling all amateur sleuths to the Florence Police Department's CSI camp! This popular camp is held at the Evelyn Kalb Gathering House at the Florence Nature Park from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm and feature hands on training in the art of crime scene analysis and collection. The class is open to youth ages 12-14 who must submit a letter of interest accompanied with a recommendation from a teacher. Class limited to 20 students. Call the Florence Police Department at (859) 647-5420 for details.



WORLD OF SPORTS

The City-owned facility will be under going construction of in 2009. Check the City's web page www.florence-ky.gov for construction updates and upcoming activities and hours of operation during construction.



SPORTS OF ALL SORTS

FLORENCE GETS HEALTHY WITH “SPORTS OF ALL SORTS” STAYING IN SHAPE HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER OR MORE FUN!

The City of Florence and the Sports of All Sorts have teamed up on an exciting new program to help Florence residents stay physically fit. This unique public-private partnership allows Florence residents to join the state-of-the-art Sports of All Sorts Fitness Facility at 10094 Investment Way (off Mt. Zion Road) at special low membership rates. Membership rates start as low as \$19.00 per month. Fitness Club members can enjoy yoga, cycling or pilates at no additional cost.

If working out is not your sport, then join the fitness club and receive an additional 10% city resident discount on all the other recreational activities offered by the Sports of All Sorts locations at 25 Cavalier Boulevard or either Investment Way location. Whether you enjoy racquetball, basketball, slam-dunk basketball, soccer, bowling, volleyball, batting cage, playground, video arcade, miniature golf, go karts or bumper boats there is something for you! Sports of All Sorts can also accommodate your next birthday party too!

BELOW ARE THE SPECIAL CITY OF FLORENCE RESIDENT FITNESS CLUB RATES AVAILABLE AT SPORTS OF ALL SORTS

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP	MONTH TO MONTH MEMBERSHIP RATES	12 MONTH MEMBERSHIP RATES	24 MONTH MEMBERSHIP RATES
Single	\$36.00	\$29.00	\$19.00
Couple	\$50.00	\$36.00	\$32.00
Family	\$54.00	\$45.00	\$41.00
Senior	\$19.00		
Senior Couple	\$27.00		

For more information, contact Dwayne Carr or Ian Angel from Sports of All Sorts at (859) 371-5511 or visit their web site at www.sportsofallsortsky.com/?page=Fitness_COF.



FLORENCE FREEDOM BASEBALL

May 20 through September 6

Let's root, root, root for the home team! The Florence Freedom, our Frontier League baseball team kicks off the 2009 season at Champion Window Field, located on Freedom Way at U.S. 42 on May 20. Last year over 100,000 fans attended Freedom games and this year promises to be even more exciting.

Every night brings a different and fun activity for Freedom Fans. Join us for Family Fun Sundays when Liberty's Freedom Fighters Kids Club members can run the bases after the game! Monday madness features \$1.00 hot dogs, \$1.00 12 oz. soda and \$1.00 popcorn all night, you can help local charities with The Bank of Kentucky "Caught up in a Cause" Tuesdays, and the fan-favorite Thirsty Thursday is back for 2009. Don't miss the spectacular fireworks show following every Friday night game and on Saturday nights stick around for "Party in the Ballpark" with post game concerts!

Book your group outing early! Our most popular areas are filling up fast! Season tickets and individual tickets are available. For additional information call (859) 594-4487 or log onto the Florence Freedom website at www.florencefreedom.com.



2009 SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MAY						
23 OFF	25 OFF	26 RIVER CITY	27 RIVER CITY	28 RIVER CITY	29 GATEWAY	30 GATEWAY
31 GATEWAY 6:05 P.M.	JUNE					
	1	2 RIVER CITY 7:05 PM	3 RIVER CITY 7:05 PM	4 RIVER CITY 7:05 PM	5 GATEWAY	6 GATEWAY
7 GATEWAY	8 OFF	9 MIDWEST	10 MIDWEST	11 MIDWEST	12 KALAMAZOO	13 KALAMAZOO
14 KALAMAZOO 6:05 PM	15 WASHINGTON 7:05 PM	16 WASHINGTON 7:05 PM	17 WASHINGTON 7:05 PM	18 KALAMAZOO	19 KALAMAZOO	20 KALAMAZOO
21 TRAVRSE CTY	22 TRAVRSE CTY	23 TRAVRSE CTY	24 AVON 7:05 PM	25 AVON 7:05 PM	26 AVON 7:05 PM	27 MIDWEST 6:05 PM
28 MIDWEST 6:05 PM	29 OFF	30 WASHINGTON	JULY			
			1 WASHINGTON	2 WASHINGTON	3 AVON	4 AVON
5 AVON	6 OFF	7 EVANSVILLE	8 EVANSVILLE	9 5th Anniv. Game 7:05pm	10 SO. ILLINOIS 7:05 PM	11 SO. ILLINOIS 6:05 PM
12 SO. ILLINOIS 6:05 PM	13 OFF	14 OFF	15 ALL-STAR GAME	16 OFF	17 SO. ILLINOIS	18 SO. ILLINOIS
19 SO. ILLINOIS	20 EVANSVILLE 7:05 PM	21 EVANSVILLE 11:05 AM	22 EVANSVILLE 7:05 PM	23 AVON	24 AVON	25 AVON
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9 TRAVRSE CTY 6:05 PM	10 OFF	11 WINDY CITY	12 WINDY CITY	13 WINDY CITY	14 ROCKFORD	15 ROCKFORD
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30 KALAMAZOO	31 OFF	SEPTEMBER				
		1 AVON 7:05 P.M.	2 AVON 7:05 P.M.	3 AVON 7:05 P.M.	4 WASHINGTON	5 WASHINGTON
6 WASHINGTON					HOME IN BLUE (All Times EST)	AWAY IN GRAY (All Times EST)





POOCH FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 19

Bring your four-legged best friend for a day of competition, fun and social interaction at the City's 7th annual Pooch Fest. The event takes place at the Florence Government Center with registration at 10 am and the competition at 10:30 am. Activities include and obstacle course, tricks, owner look-a-like, Best in Parade and Best in Show with treats and prizes for all. Businesses can rent space for \$15 and share information on pet-related nutrition, health, grooming, fitness, obedience, boarding, etc. Registration fee is \$5 per dog. Volunteers welcome to assist. Call (859) 647-5439 for details.

Canine requirements:

- Current licenses
- Be in good health
- Owner must provide pooper scooper
- Kept on a leash

TAE KWON DO

Learn the art of self-defense, discipline and maintain a healthy state of mind through TaeKwonDo classes. Classes are held at Tri-State Black Belt Academy at 8140 Dream Street and available 3 days a week for ages 3 and up. Contact Instructor Marsha Gerkin at (859) 781-0995 for more information.

TENNIS CLINICS

Learn basic tennis skills or improve your game with the help of a certified USTPA instructor. Clinics available for Pee Wees ages 4-6 for one half hour, two days a week. Juniors ages 7-15 and Adults ages 16 and older for one hour two days a week or Saturdays for 1 ½ hours. Registration forms will be sent through the schools and copies available in the lobby of the Florence Government Center or on the City's web page at www.florence-ky.gov. Register for clinics directly through tennis professional Tim Mitchell.

FOR ADDITIONAL DAYS, TIMES AND FEES, CALL TIM MITCHELL, INSTRUCTOR AT
(513) 328-8811 OR (513) 541-9811

Clinics Schedule:

Spring Session , 6 weeks, April 13 – May 24	Juniors (weekdays) \$120
	Juniors (Saturdays) \$90
	Adults (All Clinics) \$90
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Summer Session 1 , (6 weeks) June 1 – July 11	Pee Wees \$60
	Juniors (weekdays) \$120
	Juniors (Saturdays) \$90
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Summer Session 2 , (5 weeks-Juniors) July 13 - August 14	Pee Wees \$50
	Juniors (weekdays) \$100
	Juniors (Saturday) \$75
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(6 weeks-Adults) July 13 – August 22	Adults (All Clinics) \$90
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Fall Session , 7 weeks, August 31 – October 18	Juniors (weekdays) \$140
	Juniors (Saturdays) \$105
	Adults (All Clinics) \$105

FLORENCE RECREATION PROGRAM POLICIES

Accessibility

The Americans with Disability Act was enacted on January 26, 1992 in an effort to make Americans aware of the barriers and challenges that confront individuals requiring special needs. The City of Florence encourages inclusion in all of our activities and at the facilities. If you or any member of your household has special needs and would like more information call (859) 647-5439.

Registration

All City programs are fee-based in an effort to recover the expenses associated with the program. The expenses include instructor fee, supplies, facility rental, etc. It is important to register before the deadline so a class is not cancelled due to low registrations. The only time we will contact you is if the program is cancelled due to low registration or instructor related circumstances. You are registered for the class when the registration form and payment are both received by the City. Registration forms can be downloaded from the City web page, www.florence-ky.gov; however payment must be mailed or brought to the Florence Government Center. Make checks or money orders payable to "City of Florence".

Refunds

Refunds for programs will be given only in the following cases:

- Medical illness of the participant
- Move out of the City of Florence or Boone County
- Program cancellation due to inclement weather or low enrollment

Refunds will be mailed to participant's residence within 2-3 weeks in the form of a check. No refunds will be issued once a class or activity begins except if a participant becomes ill and has a physician's statement. This policy applies to aquatic programs such as swim team and swim lessons.

Photographs

As the City of Florence conducts programs and events, we will photograph participants in attendance as a means of promotion and publicity of the program or event. Photos will be used in City brochures, activity guides, slide presentations and on the City of Florence's web page, www.florence-ky.gov. For more information call (859) 647-5439.

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP RECYCLING

Wednesday, January 7



Wondering what to do with your tree after the holidays? Set it out on the curb for pickup. If you miss that day, bring your tree to the former city building site (on U.S. 42 next to Florence Nursery) for mulching of your tree on Saturday, January 10. Mulch is available to residents that day at no charge. The Leaf Collection Program booklet that lists the dates leaves are collected by streets is available at the Public Services Department at the Florence Government Center or can be viewed on the City's web page at www.florence-ky.gov. Call (859) 647-5416 for details.

ANNUAL LEAF COLLECTION

The Florence Public Services Department performs their annual Leaf Collection Program from mid-October to mid-December for City of Florence residents. Leaves are treated and used as compost or fertilizer. Guidelines for collection:

1. Rake leaves in a row behind the curb. Do not rake into the street. Leaves need to be raked to the curb by 7:00 am the morning of the scheduled pick-up.
2. Pick-up is on residential streets only. No state routes or commercial streets.
3. Keep all debris and trash out of the leaf row. This includes tree branches.
4. All leaves will be composted. To receive one or more loads call (859) 647-5416.
5. Homeowners may also bag leaves for pick-up at regular schedule collection day
6. A sign will be placed at the subdivision/street entrances the day prior to leaf collection.
7. The schedule is based upon weather and equipment operation.





GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP

Saturday, April 25

Here's your chance to keep Florence beautiful! Join us in this national program that provides an opportunity to volunteer to clean up litter along designated roadsides within the City of Florence from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. Receive a t-shirt and lunch for participating in this community service project. Call (859) 647-5416 for details

SPRING CLEANUP PROGRAM

Monday, April 27 – Sunday, May 3

Time to get rid of the clutter from the winter months. During cleanup week, Florence residents (must show proof of residency) may bring their unwanted trash and debris (excluding hazardous waste) to the Public Services Maintenance Facility located at 7850 Tanners Lane for disposal. Facility hours are 7:00 am – 7:00 pm Monday through Friday and 9:00 am – 7:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday.

FALL CLEANUP PROGRAM

Monday, October 19 – Sunday, October 25

The Florence Public Services Department offers a Fall Cleanup Program to the residents in October. The program lasts one week and is an opportunity for Florence residents (must show proof of residency) to bring unwanted debris for disposal at the Public Services Maintenance Facility located at 7850 Tanners Lane. Debris that will not be accepted includes tires, paint (in liquid form), batteries, antifreeze, oil, insecticides, pesticides and fungicides (hazardous waste). Proof of residency required. Facility hours are 7:00 am – 7:00 pm Monday through Friday and 9:00 am – 7:00 pm Saturday and Sunday. Call (859) 647-5416 for details.





DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PROGRAM

Monday, January 19

The City of Florence celebrates the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and acknowledges his accomplishments as a civil rights leader and social activist with a program and the freedom march around the campus at 3:00 pm. Visit the display set up in the lobby of the Florence Government Center throughout the day. Call (859) 647-5439 for more information.

PRESIDENT'S DAY DISPLAY

Monday, February 16

Stop by the Florence Government Center to view the display of U.S. Presidents, Vice Presidents and First Ladies and answer trivia questions between the hours of 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

FLORENCE STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

March

The City of Florence invites teens to participate in our new youth leadership program. Six City residents will be selected annually to represent the City and the youth in our community at City sponsored events and various Northern Kentucky community events. The program will provide Ambassadors with opportunities to enhance their profiles through community service, public speaking and exposure to community organizations. Applications with letters of recommendation and essays must be submitted and are reviewed by the judges. Selections of one male and one female will be made from grades 10-12 for Senior Ambassador, grades 8 & 9 for Junior Ambassadors and from grades 6 & 7 for Youth Ambassadors. Senior Ambassadors will each receive a \$500 scholarship. Ambassadors will serve a one year term. Application packets will be distributed to students in Florence schools and available at the Florence Government Center lobby or on the City's web page at www.florence-ky.gov.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 11

This event is sponsored by the Florence Police Department in conjunction with Florence Freedom begins at 11:00 am at Champion Window Field (home of Florence Freedom) for toddlers up to age 10. Take photos with costume characters from 11 am -12 pm. The hunt begins at 12:00 pm and is conducted by age groups. Call (859) 657-5420 for more information.



ARBOR DAY

Saturday, May 2

The City of Florence Arbor Day 2009 Celebration will be held at the Florence Nature Park located on Banklick Street in Florence. This year's event will begin at 10:00 am and run through Noon at which time lunch will be provided for participants. The program will include a brief history of Arbor Day and reading of the City's Arbor Day Proclamation, followed by various tree planting activities.

The National Arbor Day Foundation named the City of Florence "Tree City USA" for the sixteenth consecutive year in April 2008. The City has met the four requirements for this distinction:

- 1.A tree board
- 2.A tree care ordinance
- 3.A comprehensive community forestry program
- 4.An Arbor Day observance.

This event is open to the public so friends, family and neighborhoods are all welcome to attend. For additional information, contact the City of Florence Public Services Department at (859) 647-5416.



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & PROGRAM

Monday, May 25

The City of Florence memorializes and decorates American service personnel who fought to defend our country in past and present wars. The parade begins at 10:00 am at Boone County High School and ends at the Boone County Veterans Memorial located on the campus of the Florence Government Center. Parade registration forms are available at the Florence Government Center or downloaded from the City's web page at www.florence-ky.gov. The memorial service begins at 11:00 am at the Boone County Veteran's Memorial with a tribute to our military personnel. For more information call (859) 647-5439. Forms are available at www.florence-ky.gov.

POLICE MEMORABILIA / TRADING SHOW

Saturday, May 2 & Saturday, September 5

The Florence Police Department will hold its annual Police Memorabilia/Trading Show May and September. The show is free and open to the public and features collectors from across the United States who display their extensive collections of badges, patches and other types of law enforcement memorabilia. The event takes place from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm in the Community Rooms of the Florence Government center. Call (859) 647-5420 for more information.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Saturday, July 4

Join us as we celebrate the nation's birthday beginning at 4:00 pm at the Florence Government Center with rides, food, raffle, Kid's Zone, Wellness Expo, demonstrations, musical entertainment and a spectacular fireworks display at 10:00 pm. For information on food booth rentals or sponsorship opportunities call (859) 647-5439. Forms are available at www.florence-ky.gov.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND PARADE

Sunday, September 6

The annual theme oriented parade begins at 2 pm at the Florence Government Center and heads east on KY 18/ Burlington Pike to Turfway Road. The parade features a Grand Marshal and a host of community groups and businesses in vehicles, floats or walking portraying the theme. Awards are presented to float entries that are judged at 12:30 pm. Registration forms are available at the Florence Government Center or on the City's web page at www.florence-ky.gov. Call (859) 647-5439 for details or to volunteer.

WAL-MART SAFETY FAIR

Saturday, September 12

City of Florence Police and Fire/EMS Departments will hold their annual Safety Fair in conjunction with Wal-Mart from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Wal-Mart location (7625 Doering Drive) off Houston Road. The fair will promote general safety awareness and will include displays, booths and activities. For more information call Florence Police Department (859) 647-5420.

HALLOWEEN NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, October 27

Bring the children for an entertaining evening of tricks and treats with City staff and local businesses from 5:00 – 7:00 pm at the Florence Government Center. Toddlers and children up to age 12 can enjoy treats, games, costumed characters, spooky stations, magician, storyteller and hayride for a howling good time. The program is FREE and will be held (under tents) rain or shine. For Sponsorship opportunities or to register as a Spooky Station call (859) 647-5439.

NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION MONTH

October

During the month of October, the Florence Fire/EMS Department celebrates National Fire Prevention Month. October 5-11 is National Fire Prevention Week. Call the Florence Fire/EMS Department at (859) 647-5660 for dates and times of programs and events scheduled throughout the month.

SMOKE DETECTORS

Your Best Chance For Surviving a Fire in Your Home

Florence Fire/EMS would like to remind all of our residents that working Smoke Detectors are your greatest chance for surviving a fire in your home.

Test Your Smoke Detector:

A working smoke detector cuts the risk of dying in a home fire by nearly 50 percent. Protect your safety by checking your detector once a month.

Change the Batteries

Change the batteries in your smoke detectors at least once a year. A great way to remember to change your battery is to do so at the same time you set your clocks forward in the spring and back in the fall to adjust for Daylight Savings Time. For 2009; mark your calendars for March 8th and November 1st to: "CHANGE YOUR CLOCK, CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES".

Need A Smoke Detector?

Florence Fire/EMS will supply needy residents with a smoke detector for their home at no cost. Please call 859.647.5660 for more information.





VETERANS DAY

Wednesday, November 11

Join the City as we honor the Veterans of all wars in a ceremony at 6:00 pm at the Florence Government Center. The program will feature essay contest winners from local schools sponsored by the Florence Rotary and Boone County Jaycees. Call (859) 647-5439 for more information.

COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING

Tuesday, December 1

Bring your family as we deck the halls of the Florence Government Center with the annual Community Tree Lighting Program. Join us at 6:00 pm as we light the Christmas tree and enjoy holiday tunes with the Florence Community Band and Chorus. Civic organizations and local businesses will provide holiday activities while the children await their visit with Santa Claus. Sleigh rides, face painting, musical entertainment and refreshments are provided. The program is FREE and held (under a tent) rain or shine. Call (859) 647-5439 for details.





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